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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Director, Office of External Affairs

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Address the National Center for Legislative Research "State of the Union

Conference"

1. <u>Action Requested</u>: Accept or decline invitation to address the National Center for Legislative Research "State of the Union Conference."

2. <u>Background</u>: Paul Dietrich, President of the National Center for Legislative Research, has invited you to address the National Center's "State of the Union Conference" on Wednesday, 19 January, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington, D.C. The Conference is being held for over 200 conservative writers, scholars and business leaders. Conservative Congressmen, Senators and their Legislative Assistants will also be invited. You have been asked to speak on the "Role of the Intelligence Community in Shaping American Foreign Policy" for fifteen to thirty minutes with a question and answer period to follow.

According to Mr. Dietrich, the National Center for Legislative Research is a tax exempt, public policy research institute. Attached is their most recent publication, A Guide to American Foreign Policy and National Defense. Paul Dietrich is also President of Citizens for Reagan, an independent group supporting the President, and Executive Director of the Fund for a Conservative Majority, a political action committee. A former Republican State Representative from Missouri, he was defeated in 1980 in his attempt to become a Representative to the U.S. Congress. Dietrich's campaign focused on a pledge to pass a state right-to-work law. He moved to Washington, D.C. shortly thereafter.

The Washington field office made several inquiries to appropriate people but were unable to obtain additional information on the National Center for Legislative Research. It is interesting to note that the Center is not listed at the address shown on the letterhead; the address is for Citizens for Reagan.



3. <u>Recommendation</u> : None; indicat Affairs send appropriate letter of acce	te your intention and have Publeptance or regret.	ic
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